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RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2175

PATENT
29250-001034/US

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Carl BILICKA et al. Conf.: 9208
Appl. No.: 09/675,399 Group: 2175
Filed: September 29, 2000 Examiner: Hassan Mahmoudi
For: AUTOMATED AUTHENTICATION HANDLING SYSTEM
Docket No.: 29250-001034/US

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE
PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 15, 2004

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated January 15, 2004 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-14.

The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

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- An extension of _____ month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection was previously requested and paid for on . Thus a fee of \$ is required.
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals is calculated as follows:

- Large entity - \$330.00
- Small Entity - \$165.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of Appeal is \$330.00.

Payment of the above TOTAL FEE is being made in the following manner:

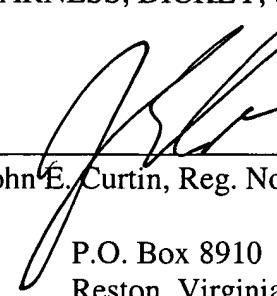
- Check in the amount of \$330.00 is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0750 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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